

## CS 513 Knowledge Disc and Data Mining

### Mid Term

#1 (10 Points)

Is the following function a proper distance function? Why? Explain your answer.

$$d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \left( \sum_i |x_i - y_i| \right)^3$$

Let us assume that,  $X = (0,0)$ ,  $Y = (0,1)$  and  $Z = (1,1)$

Using given distance function,

The distance between  $X (0,0)$  &  $Y (0,1) \Rightarrow d(x, y)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (|0 - 0| + |0 - 1|)^3 \\ &= (0 + 1)^3 \\ &= (1)^3 \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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Checking validity of the distance function properties on the distance values calculated using given distance function.

1.  $d(x, y) \geq 0, d(y, x) \geq 0, d(y, z) \geq 0, d(z, y) \geq 0, d(z, x) \geq 0, d(x, z) \geq 0.$

Clearly  $d(x, y) \geq 0$  and  $d(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y$  are satisfied.

2.  $d(x, y) = d(y, x), d(y, z) = d(z, y), d(z, x) = d(x, z)$

Clearly  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$  is satisfied.

3.  $d(x, z) = 8, d(x, y) = 1, d(y, z) = 1$

$$d(x, z) \leq d(x, y) + d(y, z)$$

$$8 \leq 1 + 1$$

$8 \leq 2$  which is false. So, condition 4 failed  $d(z, x)$

$$= 8, d(z, y) = 1, d(y, x) = 1.$$

$$d(z, x) \leq d(z, y) + d(y, x)$$

$$8 \leq 1 + 1$$

$8 \leq 2$  which is false. So, condition 4 failed here as well.

As per above calculations and observations, given distance function satisfies the first 3 conditions but fails to meet the last condition (Triangle inequality). Therefore, given function is not a proper distance function.

**# 2 (10 Points)**

**There are three major manufacturing companies that make a product: Manufacturers A, B, and C. Manufacture A has a 50% market share, and Manufacture B has a 30% market share. 5% of A's products are defective, 6% of B's products are defective, and 8% of C's products are defective.**

- a)** What is the probability that a randomly selected product is defective?  
 $P(\text{Defective})$ ?
- b)** What is the probability that a randomly selected product is defective and that it came from A?  $P(A \text{ and Defective})$ ?
- c)** What is the probability that a defective product came from B?  $P(B/\text{Defective})$ ?
- d)** Are these events (being defective and coming from B) independent? Why?

**Solution:**

Let's assume there are 1000 items of the product in the market  $\Rightarrow N = 1000$

Based on Market Share,

A has 50% of market share.  $\Rightarrow N(A) = 50\% \text{ of } 1000 = 500$

B has 30% of market share.  $\Rightarrow N(B) = 30\% \text{ of } 1000 = 300$

Remaining are from C  $\Rightarrow N(C) = 1000 - 500 - 300 = 200$

Number of defective pieces by manufacturer are as follows:

A's defective products =  $N(\text{Defective} \mid A) = 5\% \text{ of } 500 \text{ items} = 25$

B's defective products =  $N(\text{Defective} \mid B) = 6\% \text{ of } 300 \text{ items} = 18$

C's defective products =  $N(\text{Defective} \mid C) = 8\% \text{ of } 200 \text{ items} = 16$

**a)**  $P(\text{Defective}) = (N(\text{Defective} \mid A) + N(\text{Defective} \mid B) + N(\text{Defective} \mid C)) / N$   
 $= (25 + 18 + 16) / 1000 = 59 / 1000 = 0.059 = 5.9\%$

**b)**  $P(A \cap \text{Defective}) = N(\text{Defective} \mid A) / N = 25 / 1000 = 0.025 = 2.5\%$

**c)**  $P(B \mid \text{Defective}) = P(\text{Defective} \mid B) / P(\text{Defective}) = 18 / 59 = 0.3051 = 30.51\%$  **d)**  $P(B) = 300 / 1000 = 0.3$

$P(\text{Defective}) = 59 / 1000 = 0.059$

For events to be independent  $\Rightarrow P(B \cap \text{Defective}) = P(B) * P(\text{Defective})$

$P(B) * P(\text{Defective}) = 0.3 * 0.059 = 0.0177$

$P(B \cap \text{Defective}) = 18 / 1000 = 0.018$

Since,  $P(B \cap \text{Defective}) \neq P(B) * P(\text{Defective})$

Therefore, the events are **not independent** of each other.